PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masahiro SAKURADA et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of

PCT/JP03/15655

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For: GRAPHITE HEATER FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL, APPARATUS FOR

PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SINGLE

CRYSTAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.